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"From Melody Kid to Movie Cowboy Hero"!

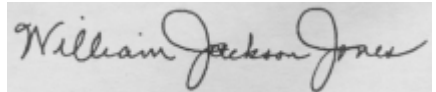
His story starts on page 23.

November 2000-Grand Master's Message

The month of November is a busy time for many Commanderies. In most states the inspection schedule is in full swing, and new Sir Knights are joining our ranks. We need to make them feel welcome and invite their families to enjoy our holiday activities. They should become a vital part of our Fraternity, not just members.

The Southwestern Department Conference will be held November 10 and 11 in Albuquerque, New Mexico. I hope many of you will be there. We will have a terrific program and lots of good fellowship. The Wyndham Hotel at the airport is the site for the meeting.

We mourn the passing of Sir Knight Edmund F. Ball of Indiana. (Sir Knight Ball's In Memoriam is on page 18.) He was the last of the founding trustees of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. His years as Treasurer of the Grand Encampment brought change and growth to our funds. Sir Knight Ed was always an advocate of planned improvement for the future. His leadership and inspiration helped the Eye Foundation to prepare for the 21st century. Let us keep Virginia and the Ball family in our prayers



Dr. William Jackson Jones Grand Master, KCT, GCT

Message from the Chairman of the Committee on Patriotic and Civic Activities

The emphasis of my message this month is on Civic Activities, particularly your Christmas Observance. Civic activities involve the inclusion of the general public, perhaps limited to the exposure of our Knightly activities.

How can they learn about us unless we go out of our way to include others, whenever possible and appropriate, in our activities? The more we include others the more likely we are to encourage those eligible to become part of our Christian order.

What better time to do this than the approaching Christmas season and our annual Christmas Observance. Plan an **open Observance**. **Invite** family, other Masons and their families, friends and their families to attend. **Present** the toasts in a formal and impressive manner. **Include** a Christmas lesson by a clergyman or lay leader. **Feed** them well; perhaps include a gift exchange, particularly for children.

The possibilities are enormous and will, when carefully planned and conducted, improve the position of your Commandery in the eyes of all attending. TRY IT, and let me know of your success!

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"The Magazine for York Rite Masons - and Others, too"

NOVEMBER: Meet your new Grand Captain General, Sir Knight William H. Koon II, and your Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment! Biographies start on page 5. Also, meet all the Grand Commanders of Grand Commanderies starting on page 9, addresses on page 12, followed by the State Chairmen for the 33rd Annual Voluntary Campaign. As you know, the Campaign for the KTEF starts the beginning of December, and on page 14 general Chairman, Sir Knight W. Bruce Pruitt, has the details of a marvelous new way to help the Eye Foundation reach its campaign goal! On page 18 we regrettably run the In Memoriam of Sir Knight Edmund F. Ball, H.P.G.M., longtime trustee of the Grand Encampment, and founding trustee of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. Details of the Easter Sunrise Memorial Service and weekend program are on page 19, and the biography of Sir Knight Jimmy Wakely starts on page 23

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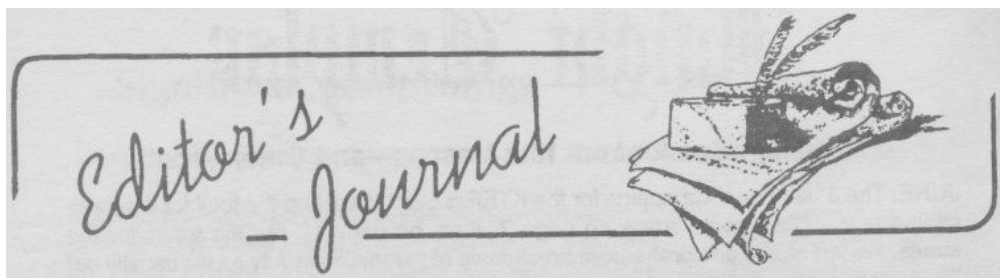
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Contacts for all Masonic organizations listed in our January 2000 issue should have the form for our next listing in January 2001. Please respond immediately as the magazine goes to the printer about December 15, 2000. If your organization has a new contact, please inform him/her of this. We would rather not leave any organization out!

Needlepoint Kits Available: Several years ago the Grand Encampment began offering needlepoint kits for sale. These kits include a printed canvas with the Knight Templar emblem in red, white, yellow, and black on a white background. Kits are still available and include the printed canvas, needle and yarn (finished size is 10 by 10 inches). The cost of a single kit is \$11.50 postpaid, or \$10.50 each in quantities of three or more. Orders may be sent to: Grand Recorder; Grand Encampment, Knights Templar; 5097 N. Elston Avenue, Suite 101; Chicago; IL 60630-2460

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William H. Koon II of Ohio Elected to Grand Line

Sir Knight William H. Koon II, Past Grand Commander of Ohio, 1996, and Right Eminent Department Commander of the East Central Department, 1997-2000 of the Grand Encampment, was elected to the grand line of the Grand Encampment as Right Eminent Grand Captain General at the election of officers, which was held at the 61st Triennial Conclave on August 15, 2000. He was installed on August 16, 2000.

Sir Knight Koon was born in Lima, Ohio, on March 12, 1949 to William H. and Vivian Brown Koon. He is a graduate of Bath High School, and attended the Ohio State University for 3 years. He is married to Elizabeth Jane Thornley, and they reside less than a mile from the family farm where he grew up near Columbus Grove, Ohio. They have a daughter, Andrea Koon Gillespie; son-in-law, Adam Gillespie; and son, William Steven Winebrenner. Bill is the President of Lord's Enterprises, Inc., and Republic Mills, Inc., both family agribusinesses including: livestock feed manufacturing, swine farrowing complexes, grain elevators, and a farming operation. He is involved in many professional and civic organizations, both locally and statewide.

Masonically, Bill is a Senior DeMolay of Fidelity Chapter in Lima, and holds the Chevalier, Cross of Honor, Active Legion of Honor, and is a Deputy Member of the International Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay. He was Raised a Master Mason in 1970 in Ada Lodge No. 344 and demitted to Rufus Putnam Lodge No. 364 in Columbus Grove, where he served 3 years as Worshipful Master. He is a Past High Priest of Lima Chapter No. 49, RAM., and Illustrious Master of Lima Council No. 20, R. & S.M. He was Knighted in Shawnee Commandery No. 14 by his father on March 13, 1971, and was elected Eminent Commander in 1980. He is a member of Shawnee Commandery No. 14 Drill Team for the past 29 years, marching in 7 Triennial Drills beginning in Chicago in 1973 and including twice as Captain. He is a member and Charter Commander of St. George Commandery No. 76, Ivanhoe Commandery No. 54, Van Wert, OH; St. Bernard Commandery No. 41, Denver, CO; and Blaney Commandery No. 5, Tremont, IL. In addition to Ohio, Bill is a member and voting delegate of the Grand Commanderies of Colorado and Illinois.



Sir Knight Koon first served the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Ohio, as an Aide-de-Camp to Sir Knight William J. Faul, KCT, during his term as Grand Commander and received the Meritorious Service Award for his efforts in 1981. Bill served the First Division of the Grand Commandery of Ohio as Deputy Division Commander from 1985-1987 and was appointed Grand Sentinel by Sir Knight Frank W. Crane, KCT, R.E.G.C. in 1987. He was elected Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Ohio on September 13, 1996.

Bill served the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the USA as a member of the Easter Sunrise Breakfast Committee and an ad-hoc member of the Committee on Drill Regulations from 1991-1994 and was co-chairman of the Committee on Drill Regulations during the 1994-1997 triennium. He served 8 years as the personal Aide to Sir Knight Ned E. Dull, GCT, M.E.P.G.M. of the Grand Encampment, and as the Affinity Coordinator for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation Mastercard program from 1991 to 1999. Bill was invested with the rank and dignity of Knight Commander of the Temple by the Grand

Encampment in 1992 and is currently the Co-deputy for the Ohio KCT Program. He was appointed Department Commander of the East Central Department for the 1997-2000 triennium. Bill was elected Right Eminent Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment on August 15, 2000, in Nashville, Tennessee. Upon installation into that office, he was invested with the Knight Grand Cross of the Temple.

Illustrious Brother Koon is a member of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Valley of Toledo, and a dual member of the Valley of Dayton, receiving the 33° from the Supreme Council, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, N.M.J., in Grand Rapids on September 23, 1997.

Sir Knight Sam E. Hilburn
Right Eminent Grand Treasurer (2000-2003)
Honorary Past Grand Master

Sam E. Hilburn was born in Grandfield, Oklahoma, June 15, 1921. His early education was in Wichita Falls, Texas, graduating from Wichita Falls High School in 1938. He attended Tarleton State University and Texas A. & M. prior to military service and graduated from Oklahoma University with degrees in Geology and Petroleum Engineering. He is a registered professional engineer in Texas and a member of various geological and engineering societies, both state and national.

An independent oil operator of Midland, Texas, he has resided there for more than fifty-five years, during which time he served in various civic capacities, including six years as member and president of the Midland School Board. He and his wife Millie have been married fifty-six years and have three children; Sam, Jr., Caren Lynne and Sandra Kay; six grandchildren (all girls), one great-granddaughter and one great-grandson. They are members of St. Luke's Methodist Church of Midland, where he is past chairman of the board, lay leader, trustee and adult Sunday school teacher. He is chairman of the board of the Midland American Bank, Midland, Texas, and has served in that capacity for more than twelve years.

He is a member of appendant organizations, including: Zenobia Temple, AAOONMS, of Toledo, OH, their Crusader Unit, and the Lima Shrine Club; Charter Sovereign and current Recorder of Charlemagne Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine in Lima, OH, Dual Member of Holy Grail Conclave, in Dayton, OH, Honorary Member of St. Leonard Conclave, in Jackson MS, and served the United Grand Imperial Council of the Red Cross of Constantine as Grand Herald 1999-2000; Prince of Peace Tabernacle X, HRAKTP, and Grand First Pillar of the Grand College of Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests; Royal Order of Scotland; Chief Adept, IX', Ohio College, MSRICF, and many more too numerous to list.

His Lodge affiliations are as follows: Initiated Entered Apprentice, December 1, 1949; Fellowcraft Degree, January 9, 1950; Master Mason Degree, February 19, 1950 in Midland Lodge No. 623; Worshipful Master of Midland Lodge No. 623, 1959-1960; District Deputy Grand Master of 81st Masonic District, 1962; Grand Orator of the Grand Lodge of Texas, 1970; Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, 1980; life member and endowed member of Midland Lodge No. 623; member of Midland Centennial Lodge No. 1148 and endowed member of J. W. Chandler Daylight Lodge in Houston; Past Director of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial in Alexandria, Virginia; member of Purposes and Policies Committee of the Grand Lodge of Texas; President of the Texas Grand Lodge Library and Museum Board; Worshipful Master of the Texas Lodge of Research, 1988-89; currently serving a third term as Vice President of Masonic Home and School of Texas in Fort Worth. In the Royal Arch Chapter he was Past High Priest, Keystone Chapter No. 172, Midland; Past District Deputy Grand High Priest; Grand Orator of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter; chairman of the Grand Chapter Purposes and Policies Committee; President of the Board of Directors of the Home for Aged Masons in

Arlington; member of the Order of High Priesthood; endowed member of Keystone Chapter No. 172. Council of Royal and Select Masters: Past T.I.M. of Keystone Council No. 112, Midland; Past District Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Council; Chairman of the Grand Council Purposes and Policies Committee; member of the Order of Silver Trowel and the Purple Cross; and endowed member of Keystone Council No. 112.

His Commandery affiliations are: Past Commander of Midland Commandery No. 84; Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Texas (1975-76); chairman of the Purposes and Policies Committee of the Grand Commandery; Past Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America; Grand Treasurer, Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America; Trustee and Treasurer of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, U.S.A.; and endowed member of Midland Commandery No. 84.

Scottish Rite: Received the Scottish Rite degrees in the El Paso Scottish Rite Bodies in October 1953 and is a life member; coroneted with the 33° in 1973; chairman of the Board of Directors of the Scottish Rite Hospital for Children in Dallas; chairman of the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital Family Scholarship Fund; chairman of the Board of Directors of the Scottish Rite Dormitory at the University of Texas; chairman of the Scottish Rite Foundation of Texas, and Chairman of the Educational and Fellowship Program of Texas; chairman of the Scottish Rite Foundation of the Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A., Inc., and chairman of the Finance Committee; Grand Treasurer General of the Supreme Council, Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A., and chairman of the Finance Committee; Sovereign Grand Inspector General of the Orient of Texas.

Sir Knight Charles Richard Neumann
Right Eminent Grand Recorder (2000-2003)
 Honorary Past Grand Master

Sir Knight Charles R. Neumann was born December 28, 1940, in Chicago, Illinois. He attended Arlington High School in Arlington Heights, Illinois, and holds the degree of



Other affiliations include: Initiated as a Noble and a charter member of Suez Temple, AAONMS on October 14, 1950 and is a permanent contributing member; ordained a member of Texas Priory No. 23, Knights of the York Cross of Honour, in December 1959 and is a life member. He was elected Herald of Texas Priory No. 23 in December 1980 and served as Eminent Prior in 1985; member of Nazareth Tabernacle XXXIV Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests on December 17, 1955 and served as Preceptor in 1962; Sovereign of St. Alphege Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine in 1966; Grand Sovereign of the Grand Imperial Council, Red Cross of Constantine, 1983-84, and currently serving the Imperial Council as Grand Trustee; member of Texas York Rite College No. 14 and a dual member of West Texas York Rite College No. 36; plus other affiliations to numerous to mention.

Sir Knight Hilburn has been Grand Treasurer since August of 1994 and was reelected Right Eminent Grand Treasurer in Nashville, Tennessee, in August of 2000. He was honored with the title of Honorary Past Grand Master at the same time.

doctor of naprapathy received from the National College of Naprapathy in September 1962.

He was installed in the position of Assistant Grand Recorder by Ned E. Dull, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, in Chicago on July 1, 1984, after being appointed to the position by Grand Master Dull. He was elected to the position of Grand Recorder the following year, on August 13, 1985, at the 56th Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment held in Cincinnati, Ohio, and has held the office since. He has served as Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee of the Grand Commandery of Illinois first in 1977 and then again from 1980 to 1987, and again in 1989 and 1991; membership since 1976. He also serves as President and Executive Board Member of the Illinois Knights Templar Home for the Aged Infirm, serving on the Board since 1972.

Charles Neumann is a member of the First United Methodist Church in Arlington Heights, Illinois, and has been married to his wife, Karla, since 1972. Karla holds a degree in education from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio.

In addition to practicing naprapathy from 1962-1974, he worked as a Systems Coordinator for Waukegan Steel Company, and from 1980-84 was branch manager, then salesman for Midwest Welding Supply Company.

Masonically, Sir Knight Neumann was Raised in Arlington Heights Lodge No. 1162 in Arlington Heights, Illinois, and served as Worshipful Master in 1972. He received the degrees of the Royal Arch Mason in November of 1963 and is a member of Palatine Chapter No. 206, Palatine, Illinois. He served as Excellent High Priest in 1968 and as a member of the Grand High Priest Address Committee during 1983-84. He has been a member of the Order of High Priesthood since 1968. He was Greeted a Royal and Select Master in Cryptic Council No. 46, Elgin, Illinois, in 1964 and served as Thrice Illustrious Master in 1969. He received the Thrice Illustrious Master Degree in 1969 and is a member of the Order of the Silver Trowel. He is a Most Illustrious Past Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Illinois for 1988-89. He was Knighted in 1963 in Bethel Commandery No. 36, Knights Templar (Elgin, Illinois), serving as Eminent



Commander in 1967. In 1975 at the age of 34 he served as Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Illinois. He also served as an aide to the Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment during 1982-85. He is a Life Member of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Valley of Chicago. He was coroneted a Sovereign Grand Inspector General at the Supreme Council Session in Grand Rapids, Michigan, in September 1988. He became a member of Medinah Temple, AAONMS, in 1963 at Chicago and is a member of the Medinah Fire Unit.

Additional Masonic affiliations include: life member, St. Bridget Council No. 23, Knight Masons of the U.S.A.; life member, Illinois Priory No. 11, KYCH; Arlington Heights Chapter No. 992, Order of Eastern Star; Heather Court No. 27, Order of Amaranth; dual membership with Austin Commandery No. 84, Glenview, and Drill Team; and Illinois York Rite College No. 15, life member, Royal Order of Scotland; Allied Masonic Degrees; a member of Simon Peter Tabernacle XXII, HRAKTP; and a member of SRICF and CBCS.

Sir Knight Neumann has received the Purple Cross from the Sovereign York Rite College of North America, is the holder of the Knight Commander of the Temple, the Honorary Degree of Legion of Honor, Order of DeMolay, and is an active member of the International Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay. At the 60th Triennial Conclave he was awarded the title of Honorary Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment.

Saluting Our Grand Commanders

Congratulations are extended from our Most Eminent Grand Master, William Jackson Jones, and the grand officers of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, U.S.A., to the fifty newly elected Grand Commanders of the Grand Commanderies under their jurisdiction. As part of this salute to their dedication and tireless service to Templary, *Knight Templar* magazine is printing the names and pictures of the Sir Knights who will serve as Grand Commanders for the current Templar year.

These Grand Commanders, whose pictures appear on these pages, will be the guiding hands on the tiller of the ship of Templary, navigating their vessel faithfully through the uncharted waters ahead.





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MINNESOTA	Kenneth W. Carroll	3510 W. Old Shakopee Road, Bloomington, MN 55431-3543
MISSISSIPPI	Frank E. Hankinson III	815 Spruce Street, Columbus, MS 39702-5427
MISSOURI	Louis L. Monken	430 Fairwick Drive, St. Louis, MO 63129
MONTANA	Gary L. Sparr	P.O. Box 547, Columbia Falls, MT 59912-0547
NEBRASKA	Francis A. Shafer	108 Church Street, North Platte, NE 69101-4847
NEVADA	Vernon L. Marion	P.O. Box 1737, Elko, NV 89803-1737
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Melvin L. Covey	158 Morrill Street, Gilford, NH 03246-2219
NEW JERSEY	Edward Seabon	416 Morris Place, Roselle, NJ 07203
NEW MEXICO	Robert E. Noble	1422 N. Country Club Circle, Carlsbad, NM 88220
NEW YORK	Douglas W. Holbrook	325 Marion Avenue, Endwell, NY 13760-5817
NORTH CAROLINA	C. James Weisel	128 Overbrook Drive, Concord, NC 28025
NORTH DAKOTA	Harvey G. Vreugdenhil	1626 11th Street, N., Fargo, ND 58102
OHIO	Robert R. Neff	3615 Stockholm Road, Westerville, OH 43081-4243
OKLAHOMA	Gary A. Davis	620 W. Cherry Street, Drumright, OK 74030
OREGON	Charles R. Svensen	24207 Old Peak Road, Philomath, OR 97370-9570
PENNSYLVANIA	George A. Hulsinger	8142 Bell Road, Harborcreek, PA 16421
SOUTH CAROLINA	Don Seward Blair	338 Indian Summer Lane, Boiling Springs, SC 29316
SOUTH DAKOTA	John W. Schwieter	216 E. St. Charles Street, Rapid City, SD 57701-3836
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TEXAS	Kenneth B. Fischer, Sr.	5138 Shady Oaks, Friendswood, TX 77546
UTAH	Norman A. Smith	751 N. 2nd E., Price, UT 84501
VERMONT	Thomas E. Grace	238 Old City Falls Road, Strafford, VT 05072-9781
VIRGINIA	William W. Longworth	502 Wentworth Avenue, N.E., Roanoke, VA 24012-3545
WASHINGTON	Delmer T. Robinson	3216 S. 302nd Place, Auburn, WA 98001
WEST VIRGINIA	Harry G. Canfield	Rt. 1, Box 122, Montrose, WV 26283
WISCONSIN	Lyle Farrell	S36W26670 Genesee Road, Waukesha, WI 53188
WYOMING	Edward C. Brown	1927 E. Garfield, Laramie, WY 82070



The 33rd Annual Voluntary Campaign: Dedicated to 33° Scottish Rite Brethren



by Sir Knight W. Bruce Pruitt, P.D.C. and P.G.C. (California)
Chairman of the 33rd Annual Voluntary Campaign

In the course of events, the current voluntary, fund-raising campaign for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation is now numbered the **thirty-third** campaign in the life of the program. It is abundantly obvious that the number thirty-three has a very special meaning to Masons. It designates those Scottish Rite Brethren who have been recognized for their exceptional dedication to the fraternity and their outstanding performance in promoting its high principles. It seems only fitting that this 33rd Campaign should be dedicated to those very distinguished Brethren. So the 33rd Annual Voluntary Campaign is hereby designated: **"The 33rd Campaign in Honor of 33rd Degree Masons"**

To solidify this relationship, which is to a degree intended to further recognize the unity between Scottish Rite and York Rite, a Thirty-third Degree Club is being instituted, just for this one campaign. Contributions of \$33.00 (or more) which are received in the following manner will qualify for the club. First will be contributions of \$33.00 from 33° Masons. Those qualifying Brethren who wish to support the Eye Foundation in this manner will receive a souvenir lapel pin, and their names will be published in the *Knight Templar* magazine. Please note that this pin will only be produced for this particular campaign, so it may become a bit of a collector's item. In addition to contributions received directly from 33° Brethren, any individual may make a \$33.00 (or more) contribution in honor of a 33° friend. A lapel pin will then be sent to the contributor for presentation to his or her friend.



Contributions to qualify for the 33rd Degree Club can be made by sending in the form found at the end of this message.

Membership contributions to the 33rd Degree Club are, of course, only a part of the overall campaign. We want to set a goal of \$1,500,000.00 in total contributions for this year, exclusive of wills and bequests. It should be the desire of all Knights Templar to show their appreciation and affection to our 33° Brethren by meeting this goal.

That is the real purpose for the dedication: to demonstrate Masonic Unity. In this manner, every contribution to this Voluntary Campaign will serve a double purpose. It will first continue the support of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. It will also be a visible and meaningful recognition that, in Masonry, we are indeed all **Brothers**. There is no east and west, no north and south, and there are no national boundaries that separate Masons from each other. Let's make this Campaign a rousing success!

Campaign a rousing success!

GO, TEMPLARS!

Sir Knight W. Bruce Pruitt; Chairman of the 33rd Annual Voluntary Campaign, Past Department Commander, Southwestern, and Past Grand Commander of California; is a member of Palo Alto Commandery No. 47, Palo Alto, California. He resides at 14101 Manuella Road, Los Altos Hills, CA 94022. His personal e-mail address is: wbrpuitt@aol.com. For information on the KTEF, send e-mail to kief@knights Templar.org or call (773) 205-3838.

Use the Form below for the Thirty-third Degree Club!

Thirty-third Degree Club Contributions to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation

Donor _____	Personal, 33°: <input type="checkbox"/>
Address _____	In Honor Of: <input type="checkbox"/>

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Scottish Rite Valley _____	Other: \$ _____ <input type="checkbox"/>
Address _____	
Credit Card:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Visa	MasterCard <input type="checkbox"/>
Number _____	Signature _____

HOW TO JOIN THE KTEF GRAND COMMANDER'S AND GRAND MASTER'S CLUBS: Any individual may send a check in the amount of \$100 or more specified for the purpose of beginning a Grand Commander's Club membership and made payable to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. This initial contribution of \$100 or more will begin your Grand Commander's Club membership. In addition, members of the Grand

Commander's Club pledge to make annual contributions of \$100 or more. Once contributions total \$1,000, the individual is enrolled in the Grand Master's Club. Membership is open to individuals only, and there is Commandery credit given for participation. Information is available from: Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.; 5097 N. Elston Avenue, Suite 100; Chicago; IL 60630-2460; (773) 205-3838.

Grand Commander's Club

No. 101,338—Lloyd G. Callwell (MO)
No. 101,339—Charles W. Moore (IL)
No. 101,340—John D. Meader (NH)
No. 101,341—L. Edward Bridges (PA)
No. 101,342—Russell E. Ritter (AZ)
No. 101,343—Jess Vinson Creel (GA)
No. 101,344—John L. Winkelman (PA)
No. 101,345—Richard C. Fountain (GA)
No. 101,346—Michael A. Himes (OH)
No. 101,347—Fritz Hintze (MD)
No. 101,348—Michael D. Jager (IA)
No. 101,349—John L. Elwell, Jr. (UT)
No. 101,350—Gerald J. Nagle (PA)
No. 101,351—A. J. Herren, Jr. (TX)
No. 101,352—Wilford R. Sanford, Jr. (GA)
No. 101,353—Robert M. Sirkle (KY)

No. 101,354—Fred T. Goddard (TN)
No. 101,355—Paul B. Jarnigan (TN)
No. 101,356—Henry H. Hughes (GA)
No. 101,357—Dale L. Hanen (GA)
No. 101,358—Dudley C. Gahan (GA)
No. 101,359—Donald B. Gardner (OH)
No. 101,360—Thomas J. Allen (IA)
No. 101,361—Joe C. Copeland (TN)
No. 101,362—Esco L. Owens (TN)
No. 101,363—William J. Cavender (GA)
No. 101,364—Robert J. Bartholomew (OH)
No. 101,365—Garfield G. Thomas, Jr. (PA)
No. 101,366—Carl Phillips (AR)
No. 101,367—Howard E. Moore (CA)
No. 101,368—Lewis Shepherd (WY)
No. 101,369—Ernest H. Smith (IN)
No. 101,370—Jim Fowlkes (NC)

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Chapter VI Features Of Triennial Conclaves Fifty-ninth-1994 (continued)

Divine service was held in the Grand Ballroom of the hotel at 10 A.M. on Sunday, August 14, under the direction of the Reverend and Sir Knight Thomas E. Weir, Grand Prelate. The Reverend also gave a thought-provoking sermon, and the offering was for the benefit of the Eye Foundation. On Sunday afternoon the editors' meeting was held. It was well attended by state supplement editors and other interested individuals. Sir Knight Neumann, Grand Recorder, "thanked those present for their dedicated service."

That evening at 8:30 P.M. the Grand Master's Reception was held in the Grand Ballroom of the hotel. "Hundreds of well-wishers waited in long lines to meet and greet the present and past grand officers of the Grand Encampment. This is always a delightful time of renewing old friendships and making new ones."

The public ceremony of the opening of the Fifty-ninth Triennial Conclave sessions began at 9:00 A.M. on Monday, August 15. The officers of the Grand Commandery of Colorado were introduced and welcomed by Sir Knight George C. Field, P.G.C., Colorado. Sir Knight Gerald A. Ford, Right Eminent Grand Commander, Colorado, welcomed the assembly, called the Sir Knights to attention, and asked Sir Knight Glen E. Hamlyn, Grand Prelate of Colorado, to give a prayer. He called on Sir Knight Field to introduce the officers of the Grand Encampment, with the Most Eminent Grand Master being the last one introduced. Sir Knight Neumann, Grand Recorder, introduced the distinguished guests, each of which was greeted by the Grand Master. Those guests were:

- "Wallace A. Techintien, Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado;
- "John Patrick Sweet, Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Colorado;
- "Mrs. Keith W. Dean, Supreme Worthy President, Social Order of the Beauceant;
- "Kenneth L. Lowmiller, National President, National Sojourners, Incorporated;
- "Edward R. Saunders, Jr., Governor General of the York Rite Sovereign College of North America and the Grand Master General of the Convent General, Knights of the York Cross of Honour;
- "Marvin E. Fowler, Provincial Grand Master of the Royal Order of Scotland;
- James M. Ward, Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign, United Grand Imperial Council, Red Cross of Constantine; Burton E. Ravellette, Imperial Potentate, Imperial Council, Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine;
- "Bruce H. Hunt, General Grand Recorder, General Grand Council, Cryptic Masons International;
- "Charles F. VanEtten, General Grand Principal Conductor of the Work, General Grand Council, Cryptic Masons International;
- "Orville E. Wesseller, Deputy General Grand Master, General Grand Council, Cryptic Masons International;
- "Dalvin L. Hollaway, Most Puissant General Grand Master, General Grand Council, Cryptic Masons International;
- "William Schoene, Jr., General Grand Scribe, General Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons International;
- "William A. Selby, Sr., General Grand Secretary, General Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons International;
- "Murray E. Cooke, General Grand King, General Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons International;
- "A. Glenn Capps, Most Excellent General Grand High Priest, General Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons International;

"Jess Gam, Illustrious 33°, Sovereign Grand Inspector General in Colorado, representative of Sovereign Grand Commander C. Fred Kleinknecht, Illustrious 33°, Supreme Council, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Southern (Masonic) Jurisdiction, and the president of the Fifty-ninth Triennial Conclave;

"Robert O. Ralston, Illustrious 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander, Supreme Council, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction;

"Jean-Claude Tardivat, Grand Representative of the Grand Encampment near Le Grand Prieure des Gaules and the Grand Chancellor of the French United Orders;

"Alan C. Wilson, Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master of the United Great Priory of New Zealand;

"Donald H. Gunner, Supreme Grand Master, Great Priory of New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory;

"Robert McIntyre, Most Eminent and Reverend Grand Master, Great Priory of Scotland;

"James W. Gerrard, Right Eminent Grand Chancellor, Sovereign Great Priory of Canada;

"Sir Knight Edward Armstrong, a personal friend of this Grand Encampment and particularly of our Grand Master, Bill Thornley;

"David B. Turner, Most Eminent Supreme Grand Master, Sovereign Great Priory of Canada;

"Edward S. P. Carson, Most Eminent Supreme Past Grand Master, Sovereign Great Priory of Canada;

"Donald A. King, Most Eminent Supreme Past Grand Master, Sovereign Great Priory of Canada;

"Dr. Philip J. Kendal, Most Eminent Supreme Past Grand Master, Sovereign Great Priory of Canada;

"W. Stanley Wright, Most Eminent Supreme Past Grand Master, Sovereign Great Priory of Canada;

"Gordon H. Stuart, Most Eminent Supreme Past Grand Master, Sovereign Great Priory of Canada;

"Brother Edward H. Fowler, Jr., Right Worshipful Past Grand Master, the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania;

"Brother George H. Hohenschildt, Right Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania and Jurisdictions Belonging Thereto;

"Brother Billy Wayne Tinsley, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Texas;

"Brother Ben Bell, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Colorado."

The Flag Ceremony followed during which the flag of each Grand Commandery or Subordinate Commandery jurisdiction was brought to the East and deposited in its stand behind the dais; there were sixty flags.

Mrs. Dean, Supreme Worthy President, Supreme Assembly, Social Order of the Beauceant, stated that in 1959 the Supreme Assembly had adopted the Eye Foundation as its national charity and that since that time had donated \$1.6 million to that Foundation. She said, "We are working with a graying membership, and I strongly feel if we don't let people know inside and outside our order, we are going to die. So I have told them to be visible, wear our uniform; red, black, and white; and be vocal."

The Grand Master asked for Lady Sonja White to be escorted to the East. He said "I'm sure that you all know Sonja is the widow of my Department Commander for the North Central Department, Clyde White, and Clyde died just about two months before the Department Conference was supposed to occur in St. Paul, and Sonja kept the whole thing going." He presented her with a medal showing the coat of arms of the Grand Encampment and "In appreciation the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar, U.S.A." He then asked for Lady Beverly Henley. He explained that since his wife Jane had died just after he took office, Mrs. Henley had "put together, with Howard Caldwell, everything that we are going to do here." Next, he asked that Mrs. Glenda Johnson be escorted to the East and introduced her as "the lady who runs the Knights Templar Eye Foundation."

In Memoriam

Sir Knight Edmund F. Ball, Honorary Past Grand Master KTEF Trustee and Past Grand Treasurer of the Grand Encampment 1905-2000

Sir Knight Edmund F. Ball; who served the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the U.S.A. as R.E. Grand Treasurer, 1955-1973, and Trustee since 1949; was born on January 8, 1905, in Muncie, Indiana, and died on September 30, 2000, at the age of 95. Memorial services were held on October 3, 2000, in Muncie, Indiana. The family requested that in lieu of flowers memorials be made to Minnetrista Cultural Foundation, 1200 North Minnetrista Parkway, Muncie 47303 or Muncie Community Foundation, P.O. Box 807, Muncie IN 47308.



Sir Knight Ball is survived by his wife Virginia; three sons: Frank, Fred, and Robert; two daughters: Marilyn Heaton and Nancy Keilty; 19 grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren; and his sister, Janice Ball Fisher.

Sir Knight Ball lived a full life and will be greatly missed. He was former president and chairman of Ball Corp., a Fortune 500 company famous for its glass fruit jars. Under his tenure, the firm had gone from sales of \$35 million in 1946 to sales of more than \$171 million in 1970.

Ball's pursuits were many, and included: a degree in philosophy from Yale University in 1928, scuba diving well into his 90s, amassing 13,000 hours of flight time as pilot-in-command over 70 years (Hall of Fame of the OX-5 Club), Army Reserves, 4 years on active duty during WWII and awarded Bronze Star, ranch ownership, and widespread philanthropic work through the Ball Brothers Foundation, Ball State University, Ball Memorial Hospital, Edmund F. Ball Medical Education Center, and Minnetrista Cultural Center. He was a charter member of the National Council for the Humanities from 1967-1973, and he and wife Virginia received their Award of Distinction in 1990. They also received the Lifetime Achievement Award during the inaugural of Very Important Volunteer Awards in Muncie.

Masonry was also important: a longtime member, his honors included a 33° in the Scottish Rite, the Caleb B. Smith Medal of Honor, the Knights Templar National Award for Citizenship from the Grand Encampment, and the Gourgass Medal of Honor, Masonry's highest.

Sir Knight Ball was a member of Muncie Lodge No. 433, Muncie Chapter of Royal Arch Masons No. 30, Muncie Council of Royal and Select Masons No. 16, and Muncie Commandery No. 18. He was a member of the Scottish Rite Bodies of Indianapolis and was a 33° Honorary Member, Supreme Council, 1961. Among other Masonic memberships were: Murat Temple, AAONMS, Indianapolis; St. James Conclave No. 4, Red Cross of Constantine; Honorary Legion of Honor, Order of DeMolay; and Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests.

He was elected Grand Warden of the Grand Commandery of Indiana in 1939, advancing to serve as Grand Commander, 1946-1947, and was senior P.G.C. of Indiana at death. He was elected Trustee of Grand Encampment, 1949; Right Eminent Grand Treasurer of the Grand Encampment, 1955-1973; and Honorary Past Grand Master, 1994. Sir Knight Ball was the founding Trustee of the Eye Foundation and was active until his death.

Easter-2001

by Sir Knight Robert V. Hines, KCT, KTCH, P.G.C. (DC)
Chairman of the Committee on the Easter Sunrise Memorial Service

The 71st Easter Sunrise Service, sponsored by the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, will again be held on the steps of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial, Alexandria, Virginia, on Sunday, April 15, 2001, beginning at 7:30 A.M. As in previous years, this Service and the breakfast following will complete a memorable weekend of events in our nation's capital, Washington, DC, including: delegation dinners, tours, and Masonic fellowship. For one event, it is to be noted that the cherry blossoms should be in full bloom, a sure sign of spring!

Remember that this will be Sir Knight William Jackson Jones' first Easter reception as Grand Master. Let's get a tremendous crowd together to honor our new Grand Master!

The Hotel Washington Package The main hotel will again be the Hotel Washington in downtown Washington, DC. This year the Hotel Washington is again offering a package arrangement as follows: \$275.00 per couple, double occupancy, Friday and Saturday nights; Saturday luncheon for two; and Sunday breakfast for two, including taxes and luggage fees (\$47.00 extra for each person more than two per room and \$235.00 for singles).

This arrangement is good only for the Friday and Saturday preceding Easter! If you come earlier or stay later, the standard hotel rate of \$112.00 for singles and \$122.00 per couple apply to those other days and are available from the hotel. Write the hotel to make your reservations: Hotel Washington; ATTN: Knights Templar Easter Program; 515 15th Street, N.W.; Washington; DC 20004. Include your check or credit card number.

You may also call the Hotel Washington at (800) 424-9540 and speak with Sandy Warner to make reservations for rooms and any of the activities, giving your credit number for billing.

Check with the hotel upon arrival to insure all your reservations are complete.

Other Than The Package

For those not taking the package, the separate charges are \$26.00 each for the Saturday luncheon and \$16.00 each for the breakfast on Sunday. If you are not staying at the Hotel Washington, please make arrangements to attend the breakfast since it is a great event. Make your reservations with the Grand Encampment office: (773) 777-3300.

Grand Commanders And Their Ladies

Grand Commanders and their ladies may attend the Saturday luncheon and the Sunday breakfast, courtesy of the Grand Encampment. Be sure to identify yourself when dealing with the hotel.

Our Grand Master

The Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar of the United States of America, Sir Knight William Jackson Jones, and his officers will greet everyone at the Saturday luncheon. This will be Bill's and Lois' first Easter as our Grand Master and his lady, so let's get a big crowd out for this fine occasion in Alexandria.

Tomb of the Unknown

On Saturday, April 14, the Grand Commandery of Indiana will lay a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery to honor their members who fell in combat as members of the Armed Forces of the United States of America. They have again asked that everyone be invited to attend. The bus to Arlington will leave the Hotel Washington at 8:30 A.M.

Easter Morning Program

Coffee and donuts will be available in the Hotel Washington lobby at 5:30 A.M. on Easter morning. The buses will be available at 6:15 A.M. to take members and their ladies to the George Washington

Masonic National Memorial for the Sunrise Memorial Service. Buses will return to the hotel after the Service, which will begin at 7:30 A.M.

Parade Formation

The parade will form on the lane leading up the hill. Delegations will form according to their entry into the Grand Encampment, senior to junior, and markers for each will be in place. The Maryland delegation, as in the services for the last three years, will appear in their black plumes and with drummers before the formal parade. They will form a passion cross in the stands. The Grand Commandery of Maryland would also like to invite any of the other Commanderies, that wear black plumes, to get in touch and participate in the formation of the cross. The parade will step off at 7:30 A.M., proceed up the hill, render "eyes right" on passing the Grand Master and his staff, and then proceed into seats as directed. The formation of three squads each is suggested in order to avoid bunching up on top of the hill. Colors will "right wheel" at the podium and post the colors as directed. Parking for cars and buses is available at the top of the hill next to the Memorial; however, no vehicles will be permitted up the roadway after 7:00 A.M.

Other Details

Delegations desiring to make any special group arrangements should call Sandy Warner at the hotel number. Delegations staying at other hotels or motels must provide their own transportation or meet at the Hotel

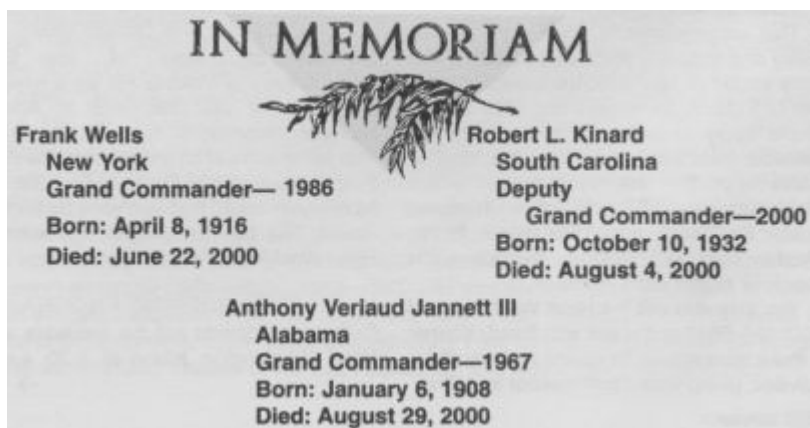
Washington. Recognition is made to the Grand Commandery having the most Sir Knights in uniform in the parade and to the Grand Commandery having the highest percentage of its members in uniform in the parade. Prior to the Service, beginning at 6:30 A.M., carillon music will be played over the public address system. Easter selections will be played as the parade moves out following the Assembly bugle call. The Service will be conducted by our Right Eminent Grand Prelates, John D. Jones and Thomas M. Jones.

The breakfast will begin upon our return to the Hotel Washington.

Reservations should be made for rooms and any other activities by March 23, 2001.

Grand Commanders are requested to appoint a delegation chairman and notify this General Chairman, Sir Knight Robert V. Hines, in order to receive all mailings concerning this event and to facilitate adequate planning! Contact Sir Knight Hines at: HC-73, Box 1908, 124 Harrison Circle, Locust Grove, VA 22508-9579; Telephone, (540) 972-8066; FAX, (540) 972-8699; e-mail: roberth333@aol.com. Forms will be sent in January 2001. please return these forms so that we can adequately plan for this event!

Sir Knight Robert V. Hines, General Chairman Of The Committee On Easter Sunrise Memorial Service, P.G.C. of the District of Columbia, is a member of Potomac Commandery No. 3 of DC and York Commandery No. 16 of Maryland. He resides at HC-73, Box 1908, 124 Harrison Circle, Locust Grove, VA 22508-9579



Knights Templar Eye Foundation Awards Research Grant To Dr. Sherry Fawcett Of Texas

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation has awarded a grant of \$29,865.00 to Dr. Sherry Fawcett, research scientist at the Retina Foundation of the Southwest, to study accommodative esotropia in children.

Accommodative esotropia is a condition in far-sighted infants and children in which only one eye fixes on an object while the other turns inward, producing the appearance of cross-eye.

Dr. Fawcett seeks to prove that by using progressive bifocal glasses (bifocal glasses without the normal visible line that separates the distance lens from the nearsighted lens), the situation will correct itself without the need for surgery.

Grand Commander Jerry Kirby of the Grand Commandery of Texas said: The purpose of this award is to assist promising young researchers at the beginning of their careers. This is the first time that a researcher from Dallas has been selected for the award."

With Dr. Fawcett in the picture are: the Grand Recorder of Texas, Loyd L. Chance, left, and Grand Commander Kirby, right.



Sale Of Knights Templar Afghan To Benefit The KTEF



A limited edition Knights Templar afghan has been produced with old designs from the early Knights Templar period and with a poem, "A Knight Templar," defining what a Knight Templar is and what he stands for. The afghan is of tapestry weave and measures 54 by 68 inches. It has eight warp colors. It is 100% cotton that is preshrunk and color-fast. The afghan weighs 5 pounds, 2 ounces and has a multi-color fringe border. The price is \$47.00, including shipping and handling within the U.S. If you are ordering out of the U.S., please add \$20.00 for shipping. For every afghan sold, there will be

a donation of \$5.00 to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. To order please send check or money order to Stanley C. Buz, PO Box 702, Whitehall, PA 18052

Summer Uniform Sale Aids Knights Templar Eye Foundation

Milford Commandery No. 11, Milford, Massachusetts, is offering a complete summer uniform and accessories (no pants or shoes) for \$125.00. (G.C. and P.G.C. add \$35.00 for gold on cap visor.) This includes cap and insignia, short sleeve shirt, shoulder rank insignia, collar insignia, metal ribbon bar, name plate, black belt, tie clasp with cross and crown, and shipping and handling. Send cap size, shirt size, rank, Commandery name and number, choice of engraving on the belt clasp (plain/Knight Templar/your state/Commandery name) to the address below. Make checks payable to Milford Commandery No. 11. This is a fund-raising project. All profits go to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation.

This summer uniform has been approved by Sir Knight James M. Ward, Grand Master of Knights Templar, U.S.A. See the May 1999 issue of *Knight Templar* magazine. For further information write to: Milford Commandery No. 11, C/O Robert P. Winterhalter, P.O. Box 321, Ashland, MA 01721-0321. Please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope. This is for our charity.

Sale Of Noah's Ark Tote Bag To Benefit The Knights Templar Eye Foundation

The Noah's Ark tote bag measures 15 inches deep by 18 inches long; it is made of upholstery material that is 240 threads per inch. It is double sewn at all open areas and double stitched at the handles. Made in the U.S. with a design on both sides, it is machine washable. Only 500 made! **\$2.00 of each sale will go the Eye Foundation.** The price is \$25.00 each, including shipping in the U.S. only. Please add \$15.00 more for additional shipping costs outside the U.S. If interested, please send check or M.O. to: Sandra D. Knotts, PO Box 158, Trexlertown, PA 18087.



KCT and GCT Award Recipients: A 2½ inch diameter, embroidered emblem has been produced for use on mantles and blazers of KCT recipients. The emblem is to be centered on the Cross that adorns the left side of the mantle or ceremonial robe or on the left side (on pocket) of a dress blazer. The same use is required for the GCT emblem which is bordered with a wreath. The cost of the KCT emblem is \$8.50 plus \$3.00 shipping and handling, and the cost of the GCT emblem is \$10.00 plus \$3.00 shipping and handling. Contact: Jon Patrick Sweet, 7474 Benton Street, Westminster, CO 80003-7001, or phone (303) 430-8483

How Will You Pay for Expenses That Medicare Doesn't Cover?

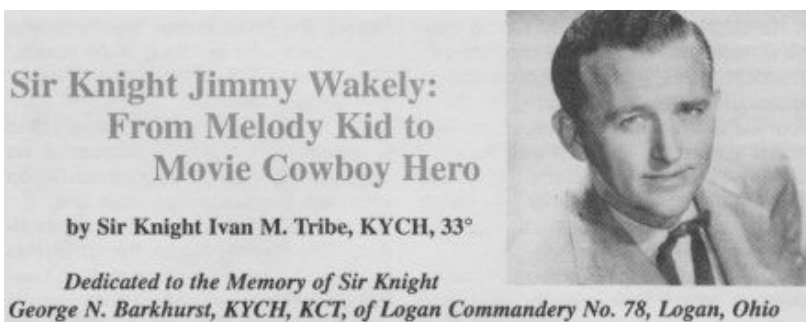
You owe it to yourself to find out about the Knights Templar Medicare Supplement Insurance designed for Sir Knights and their ladies.

With the high cost of health care today, the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar Medicare Supplement Insurance Program is becoming a necessity for more and more of us. That's why it is good to know that you now have a choice of Medicare Supplement coverage under our plan at very affordable rates.

Under the Knights Templar Medicare Supplement Plan, you will benefit in many your own doctors and

hospitals, there are no health questions or medical exams to qualify, there is no waiting period for pre-existing conditions if you switch plans or are about to turn 65, and there is hassle-free claims processing in about 7 days

To make sure you can pay for the expenses Medicare doesn't cover, call (800) 749-6983 for the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar Medicare Supplement Insurance Plan information and enrollment kit.



Prior articles in this journal have focused upon the careers of Masonic movie cowboys, particularly those of the singing variety. Jimmy Wakely had a shorter career as a cowboy star than some of his contemporaries and never came close to attaining the stature of the late Sir Knights Gene Autry or Roy Rogers. Yet he starred in more pictures than Rex Allen, and some consensus exists that he was a better singer than the others. Sir Knight Wakely did not become a Mason until his movie career had ended, and except for Tex Ritter (who belonged to the same Blue Lodge), Jimmy died earlier than the others; nonetheless, he managed to sustain a respectable career as an entertainer on the Hollywood scene for more than four decades.

James Clarence Wakely was born in Mineola, Arkansas, on February 16, 1914. At the age of three his farmer father moved his family to Octavia, Oklahoma, where he continued to scratch out a hard scrabble existence from the soil. Later, the Wakelys moved to Battiest and then Cowden, Oklahoma, still searching for prosperity. When the Great Depression hit, the family's economic condition went from bad to worse.

Meanwhile, Jimmy had learned to play guitar and piano. He would entertain the family and neighbors by playing the songs of Brother Jimmie Rodgers, who had gained widespread popularity among rural folk. Later, when the Wakelys moved to Rosedale, Oklahoma, they all became devoted fans of western swing pioneer Milton Brown and his Musical Brownies, who were earning great popularity via Fort Worth radio.

Their neighbors, the George Miner family, also admired Brown's music, and Jimmy developed strong feelings for daughter Inez. Jimmy Wakely married Inez Miner on December 13, 1935, and the couple subsequently had four children: Deanna, Carol, Linda, and John. At the time of his marriage, Jimmy operated a service station in Rosedale. The little family moved into Oklahoma City about 1937, where Jimmy began to pick up part-time musical jobs.

Later that summer, Wakely went to work in a medicine show where he earned fourteen and then seventeen dollars per week. That fall he received an offer to sing in a trio on WKY radio in Oklahoma City. This was a good move, but not much happened until Jim convinced the owner of the sponsoring Bell Clothing Company to change the Bell Trio to a western styled group. He then got his friends, Johnny Bond and Scotty Harrell, into the trio, and they became quite popular, making many personal appearances throughout the Sooner State.

In the summer of 1939, the Trio made a quick trip to Hollywood, where they worked as musical support in a Roy Rogers' film, *Saga of Death Valley*; however, their big break came when Gene Autry did a guest spot on their radio program and then hired them as regulars on his new CBS network show, *Melody Ranch*. As a result, the renamed Jimmy Wakely Trio came to California to stay. Jimmy himself later phrased the situation thusly: "Through the grace of God and [Brother, later Sir Knight] Gene Autry, I got a career."

In addition to his *Melody Ranch* position, Wakely landed a solo contract with Decca Records, and although he had no monumental hits, he did cut some thirty-four sides over the next five years. Two songs in particular did quite well: his 1943 cover version of Elton Britt's "There's a Star Spangled Banner Waving Somewhere" and a 1944 offering, "I'm Sending You Red Roses."

The Trio also appeared in many motion pictures with Charles Starrett and also with Johnny Mack Brown. Although they made only one film with Gene Autry, the two years that they worked as regulars on his *Melody Ranch* radio program gave them an association with this superstar and contributed to their popularity. The Jimmy Wakely Trio also appeared in a hillbilly type variety comedy with Slim Summerville titled *I'm from Arkansas*.

Then in 1944, Monogram Pictures decided to make four singing cowboy films with Wakely as the star. These movies did well enough with the public that studio executives opted to produce a regular series. They signed Jimmy to a five-year contract.

During that period Jimmy Wakely starred in a total of twenty-eight musical westerns. Only Sir Knights Autry, Ritter, and Rogers made more singing cowboy films. In the first dozen pictures, another prominent show business Mason and Shriner, Lee "Lasses" White (1888-1949), a former minstrel man and *Grand Ole Opry* star, played his sidekick. When White's health declined in 1947, the late Dub "Cannonball" Taylor (also reputed to be a Mason) replaced him for the duration of the series. Leading ladies in Wakely films included Gail Davis, who as *Annie Oakley* became the first female to star in her own western TV series; Polly Bergen [then Burgin], who went on to become a successful actress and songstress; and Christine Larson, who was Ronald Reagan's girl friend prior to his courtship and marriage to Nancy Davis. Whip Wilson, who became a member of North Hollywood Lodge No. 542 and from 1949 starred in his own western series at Monogram, made his film debut in a

Wakely picture. The better known Wakely movies include such titles as "*Song of the Sierras*," "*Springtime in Texas*," "*Song of the Range*," and "*Six Gun Serenade*."

As Jimmy Wakely's movie career picked up steam, so too did the success of his singing efforts. In 1947 he signed with Capitol which was then becoming a major label.

Later that year he recorded a composition, "One Has My Name, the Other Has My Heart," written by fellow singing cowboy Eddie Dean. In 1948 it spent eleven weeks at the top of the country charts and scored high in the pop field as well. This established Jimmy as a major singing star with crossover appeal.

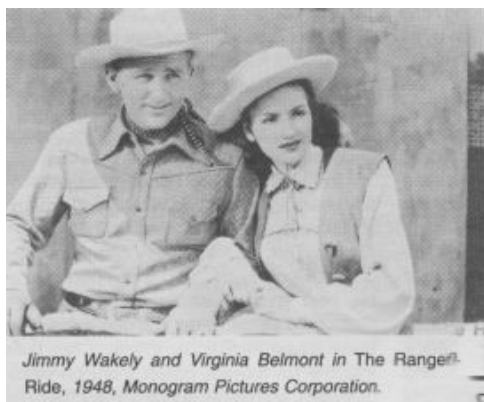
Over the next three years, Wakely turned out several more big solo hits for Capitol that included Floyd Tillman's "I Love You So Much It Hurts," "Mona Lisa," "My Heart Cries for You," and a revival of the old country song, "Beautiful Brown Eyes."

Unlike Eddie Dean, who sang in a style that many thought did not seem sufficiently country, Jimmy Wakely managed to also hold his down-home audience with such numbers as "Oklahoma Blues," "I Wish I Had a Nickel," and his rendition of the Jack Guthrie classic, "Oklahoma Hills."

Jimmy scored his biggest musical success in a 1949 duet with pop songstress



Jimmy Wakely as a singing cowboy movie hero, ca. 1949. Photo from Capitol Records.



Jimmy Wakely and Virginia Belmont in *The Ranger's Ride*, 1948, Monogram Pictures Corporation.

Margaret Whiting when their version of another Tillman composition, "Slipping Around," became a million seller. It stayed at number one on the country charts for seventeen weeks and topped the pop listings for another three.

They also had several good follow-up hits with "I'll Never Slip Around Again," "Let's Go to Church (Next Sunday Morning)," "Broken Down Merry-Go-Round," "A Bushel and a Peck," and a modernized version of that 1866 favorite, "When You and I Were Young, Maggie." Despite their commercial acumen, some tension and jealousy apparently existed between the two as some witnesses reported seeing them counting the solo words that each sang on their recording sessions.

After 1953 Jimmy left Capitol for the Coral label and then returned to Decca. In the mid-sixties he started his own company, Shasta Records.

In 1949 National Periodical Publications (or DC) initiated a Jimmy Wakely comic book series. Bimonthly issues came until early 1952, when the series was terminated. Since DC specialized in "super heroes" such as Superman, Batman, and Wonder Woman; their western titles never sold as well, and as a result, the eighteen Wakely comics actually

bring better prices in today's collector market than those of Allen, Autry, and Rogers, which sold more widely at the time.

From 1952 until 1958, *The Jimmy Wakely Show* was a regular weekly musical feature on the CBS radio network. Even though big time network radio went into decline in this period, Jimmy's program lasted longer than most of them and kept his name in the public spotlight. Besides, since Jimmy came into ownership of the show's tapes, in later years it provided him with a considerable volume of material for Shasta Records. He made only one significant film in this period, *Arrow in the Dust* (1954) starring Sterling Hayden, and he played a supporting role and sang a song.

By the mid-fifties, Jimmy Wakely's motion picture stardom and big hit records were all behind him, but he still recorded for a major label, kept in fine voice, and remained a popular live show performer until the mid-seventies. In addition to appearances on the West Coast, the "Melody Kid" (as he had once been known) proved an appealing performer on the Nevada club circuit. In 1976 he told film historian David Rothe that he had played a total of 120 weeks at Harrah's Club over a period of seven years in addition to other locales and



Jimmy Wakely and Marshall Reed in *Brand of Fear*, 1949, Monogram Pictures Corporation.

military bases. In later years son John and daughter Linda joined his show, which by all accounts rated as top notch entertainment.

Jimmy became a Mason during those years joining Metropolitan Lodge No. 646 in Los Angeles. Both Rod Cameron and Tex Ritter had taken their degrees in this lodge, but by that time Tex had moved to Nashville and Rod would soon be dropped from the rolls. At any rate, James Clarence Wakely was initiated an Entered Apprentice on February 6, 1968; passed to the degree of Fellowcraft on February 20; and was Raised a Master Mason on March 26, 1968. Some years later Metropolitan Lodge merged with South Pasadena No. 367, and Jimmy continued membership there until June 2, 1981, when he demitted and affiliated that same day with Old West Lodge No. 813 in Newhall, California, where he retained membership for the rest of his life.

Meanwhile, the cowboy vocalist had continued in his Masonic endeavors by petitioning the York Rite bodies. After completing them with his Knighting in Calvary Commandery No. 62, Knights Templar in Pasadena; Wakely became a Noble of Al Malikah Temple, AAONMS, on November 29, 1969. The following fall on December 5, 1970, when fellow movie cowpokes, Rex Allen and John Wayne, took their journey across the hot sands, Jimmy Wakely was present to give them moral support.

In later years Wakely worked the road less often and renewed interest in his first love - radio. For at least a decade from 1966, he taped a one-hour daily record and interview program for the Armed Forces Radio Network. For a time he even had a taped program on Radio Iran for the benefit of American residents there [which presumably stopped with the 1979 Revolution]. These programs, together with occasional show dates and the growth of Shasta Records as a mail order business, kept the Melody Kid occupied in later years.

In 1976 Jimmy told David Rothel that he enjoyed good health, and he obviously remained in good voice. Rothel also noted

that he coughed several times during the interview. Those coughs may have been an indication of future health problems because a few years later he was diagnosed as having emphysema. On September 23, 1982, Sir Knight James Clarence Wakely passed away at the age of sixty-eight.

Jimmy Wakely has not been forgotten. A few years ago Linda Lee Wakely authored an affectionate biography, *See Ya' Up There Daddy: The Jimmy Wakely Story*. In 1996 Capitol Records released a compact disc of his best musical efforts in their *Vintage Collections* series. Other compact discs have been issued in Europe. Western film buffs treasure his movies, collect them on videocassettes, and gather annually in such locales as Knoxville, Charlotte, and Memphis to watch motion pictures of Jimmy and other B-western stars of a not so long ago but bygone era. Like Sir Knights Autry, Ritter, Rogers, and Wayne, along with Brothers Rex Allen, Harry Carey, Hoot Gibson, Buck Jones, Tom Mix, and Whip Wilson; Sir Knight Wakely projected a virtuous, on-screen image that America's youth could not only admire but also emulate.



Note: The best source for information on Jimmy Wakely is his daughter's aforementioned book together with the chapter on him in David Rothel, The Singing Cowboys (A. S. Barnes & Co., 1978). For his Masonic record, I am indebted to the staff of the Grand Lodge of California and to that of Al Malikah Shrine Temple. I also appreciate the kindly information and counsel of Brother Bobby Cope/and of Knoxville, Tennessee.

The Grand Commanders of Kansas

by Sir Knight Jacob C. Baird, P.G.C., MO
Information from Gerald A. Butcher, P.G.C., KS

Several months ago I received a large envelope containing several pages of "forms," somewhat similar to the ones contained in this document. It came from a friend, Gerald R. Butcher, P.G.C., KS. Included was a cover letter stating that he'd spent a few years collecting the information concerning the Masonic Bodies of Kansas contained therein and would like to see it disseminated to those who might be interested in the information. He asked that I use it in any way I saw fit. It was in a format and language which was unknown to my computer, so I copied it and sent the original to the office of the Grand Recorder and asked that "it be laid up among the archives" for possible future use. I have since "juggled" and rearranged selected portions of it, and the rearing is the result.

The first four columns show the year in which the Grand Commander (shown in the fifth column) held the position of M.W.G.M. (Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons), M.E.G.H.P. (Most Excellent Grand High

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Priest of Royal Arch Masons), M.I.G.M. (Most Illustrious Grand Master of Cryptic Masons), and R.E.G.C. (Right Eminent Grand Commander of Knights Templar) - if he, in fact, held any of those first three positions. The sixth column shows the name of the Commandery to which the Grand Commander belonged and the seventh the number of that Commandery; the eighth and ninth columns show his date of birth and date of death.

It is the hope of this writer that even a cursory survey of the information shown in this chart will call to the attention of any Templar that there is (probably) a list of the Grand Commanders of his Grand Commandery in any of its *Proceedings*, and he has access to the *Proceedings* of the Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter, and Grand Council in which lists of the Grand Masters, Grand High Priests, and Grand Masters (of the Grand Council) are probably given. With only this he has the information for a "bare bones" Masonic history of his state!

1868-1999				KANSAS GRAND COMMANDERY					1
MWGM	MEGHP	MIGM	REGC	Grand Commander	Name of Commandery	Number	D.O.B.	D.O.D.	
			1868	Gould, William O.	Weston	#2, MO	06/06/28	12/31/01	
			1869	Gould, William O.	Leavenworth	#1, KS	06/06/28	12/31/01	
			1870	Gould, William O.	Leavenworth	#1, KS	06/06/28	12/31/01	
1868-70	IOWA	1873-74	1871	Brown, John H.	Palestine	#2, IA	06/06/26	03/12/93	
			1872	Brown, John H.	Leavenworth	#1, KS	06/06/29	03/12/93	
1871-72	1873-74		1873	Price, John M.	Washington	#2, 1870	10/04/29	10/30/00	
	1875		1874	Anderson, T. J.	Topeka	#5	05/29/39	01/31/12	
		1868-72	1875	Phitbrick, John L.	Boston#?, Washington	#2	08/21/25	07/08/94	
1886	1882		1876	Sheldon, Silas E.	Topeka	#5, 1873	06/05/37	04/19/00	
1873-74	1868-70	1878	1877	Beseett, Owen A.	Boston#2, Leavenworth	#1	07/15/34	01/19/96	
			1878	Hanna, B. J. F.	Askelon	#6, 1875	02/24/25	12/08/91	
1878	1871-72	1875	1879	Hillyer, Edwin D.	Washington	#2, 1875	11/17/34	12/11/92	
	1876	1881	1880	Byington, Dwight	Leavenworth	#1	02/20/31	10/11/94	
1891	1886	1882	1881	Callahan, Andrew M.	Topeka	#5, 1875	02/05/40	07/13/02	
1905			1882	Peters, Samuel R.	Newton	#9, 1880	08/18/42	04/12/20	
	1883		1883	Waters, H. H.	St. Bernard	#10, 1878	01/17/41	02/22/15	
	1885	1884	1884	Dewitt, Jacob	Askelon	#6	01/08/34	01/28/00	

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			1885	Lagoon, B. E.	Hugh De Payen	#3, 1880	09/21/41	01/04/02
1887	1890		1886	Cook, Henry C.	Oswego	#7	04/22/43	06/12/98
1884			1887	Buck, James J.	Emporia	#8	08/14/35	09/03/17
		1890	1888	Rodgers, Theophilus P.	Topeka	#6, 1881	07/04/39	08/11/13
			1889	Hunt, Charles W.	De Molay	#4, 1882	12/19/36	04/14/12
	1888	1887	1890	Port, George W.	Missouri#4, Cyrene	#23, 1889	08/22/42	10/26/93
			1891	Corbett, W. C.	Mt. Olivet	#12	06/23/48	10/24/28
			1892	Culp, Edward C.	Askalon	#6, 1886	03/23/43	05/16/04
			1893	Gray, Clark	Illinois#20, Appolo	#16, IL	01/12/41	01/22/00
			1894	Robb, Alex O.	Garfield	#18, 1886	08/24/43	05/18/23
	1889	1883	1895	Torrington, Robert E.	Newton#9, Topeka	#5	02/02/46	11/14/44
			1896	Homes, William C.	Couer De Lion	#17	04/06/40	08/04/29
			1897	Chaffee, Will C.	Topeka(before 1890)	#5	07/28/55	11/03/32
			1898	Jenkins, George H.	De Molay#4, Ivanhoe	#21	08/21/49	03/26/15
			1899	Hayes, Edward	St. Johns	#24, 1890	08/28/51	12/21/22
1901	1904	1910	1900	Hoisington, Perry M.	Newton	#9, 1894	10/13/57	03/21/33
1907	1902	1900	1901	Wellington, Edward W.	St. Aldemar	#33	02/04/53	02/18/25
1906	1905	1911	1902	Bond, Thomas L.	Askalon	#6	10/22/49	07/29/38
	1901	1904	1903	Webb, Charles J.	Topeka	#5	07/07/53	01/03/28
	1890	1892	1905	Postelthwaite, J. O.	Cyrene	#23	08/22/48	11/26/10
	1903	1893	1901	Brown, Bestor O.	Topeka	#5	11/29/61	07/10/17
	1904	1909	1902	Fitch, Thomas O.	Mt. Olivet	#12	04/08/61	05/12/38
			1907	Fulton, Edgar R.	Corinthian	#40	02/10/56	01/04/28
1892			1908	Fuller, David B.	Eureka	#45	01/18/53	05/17/15
			1909	Truby, Marvin L.	St. Bernard	#10	06/04/66	06/17/33
		1920	1924	Fell, Joseph O.	Concordia	#42	07/06/61	06/23/28
	1907	1908	1911	March, William Frank	De Molay	#4	06/24/54	05/24/33
	1932		1912	Kinkle, John M.	Reno	#26	06/18/67	03/09/41
	1911	1899	1907	Sharp, Alexander A.	Apollo	#16	01/10/53	12/06/40
			1914	Stearns, Frederick	Mt. Olivet	#12	02/16/54	07/28/35
			1915	Martin, William H.	Couer De Lion	#17	01/02/67	08/21/59
			1916	McLean, Milton R.	St. Johns	#24	02/09/74	04/18/51
			1917	Babb, Thomas C.	Abo El Kadr	#27	11/14/72	05/02/53
	1926	1915	1914	Neelson, John W.	Concordia	#42	11/14/71	06/13/43
	1919	1922	1916	Wood, Owen J.	Topeka	#5	08/10/53	10/18/39
	1925	1939		Loucke, Charles A.	Garden City	#50	06/12/73	12/28/60
			1921	Carruth, Arthur J.	Herington	#53	04/30/68	07/18/24
			1922	Laderer, Frederick J.	Garfield	#18	02/18/59	12/29/24
		1928	1931	Montgomery, Robert H.	Oswego	#7	01/23/76	09/16/57
			1924	Means, Hugh	De Molay	#4	07/27/71	01/01/64
			1925	Fuller, Ezra B.	Leavenworth	#1	10/14/48	09/17/25
			1926	Lehman, Clayton	Newton	#8	06/10/68	03/05/54
			1927	Stotler, Philip E.	Ivanhoe	#21	01/06/73	08/01/59
	1912	1923		Hutchison, William F.	Garden City	#50	07/14/60	05/05/52
		1948		Perry, Theodore P.	Lochinvar	#52	01/15/79	06/15/58
		1921	1934	West, Charles S.	Emporia	#8	12/04/86	07/01/38
		1927	1925	McClelland, James E.	St. Bernard	#10	07/08/75	05/04/46
			1930	Pope, Ralph W.	Hiram	#51	12/13/78	10/15/39
			1935	Hoge, Asa T.	Leavenworth	#1	07/21/87	05/23/45
	1930	1933	1921	Kirk, Jay B.	Esdraelson	#49	07/31/75	07/18/55
	1929		1935	Beezley, George F.	Palestine	#28	11/01/77	03/23/64
	1927	1923	1918	Fowler, Charles N.	Askalon	#6	07/14/72	04/24/41
		1943		Numbers, Dwight M.	St. Elmo	#22	11/08/79	09/25/57
		1938		Shee, William F.	Arkansas City	#30	07/20/85	09/23/53
			1939	Nivens, Clarence G.	Dodge City	#35	12/09/85	05/26/61
			1940	Mailer, Harry O.	Ivanhoe	#21	01/29/83	01/03/47
			1942	Palmer, Floyd A.	St. Bernard	#10	10/29/88	12/15/68
	1935	1930	1927	Souders, Otto R.	Mt. Olivet	#12	10/08/88	01/24/64
			1943	Shirk, James A. G.	Montjoie	#29	01/12/81	04/14/50
			1944	Nellis, Edwin S.	Topeka	#5	01/08/00	08/21/63

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	1937		1945	Hetzel, John A.	Newton	#9	01/13/75	09/09/62
		1967	1946	Reigle, Roy W.	Emporia	#8	04/27/96	02/02/88
			1947	Kirk, Stanley J.	Eedraelson	#49	06/17/03	07/02/87
			1948	Schisler, Leo J.	Columbia	#38	10/23/93	17/27/79
			1949	McMullen, Joseph E.	St. Omer	#14	01/10/06	12/02/96
			1950	Hershberger, Forrest	St. Johns	#24	11/23/89	03/12/63
	1962		1951	Tilgson, Elroy F.	Washington	#2	05/01/75	07/01/76
1962	1967	1956	1952	Bishop, Armand	Couer De Lion	#17	09/11/05	02/03/68
	1941		1953	Evens, Richard W.	Dodge City	#35	06/12/82	10/13/71
			1954	Martindell, Donald C.	Reno	#26	08/26/89	12/31/75
	1958	1949	1955	Williams, Glen E.	Oswego	#07	03/01/93	08/25/72
	1964		1956	Smith, Samuel Lewis	Mt. Olivet	#12	08/30/00	10/24/77
			1957	Sayburn, Donald J.	El Dorado	#19	05/16/96	11/10/93
			1958	Cushman, Myron H.	Topeka	#06	11/28/97	10/11/71
			1959	Yeoman, Frank M.	Kingman	#34	03/07/91	04/25/83
	1944		1960	Dickey, J. Laverne	Liberal	#55	06/03/12	01/28/80
1969			1961	Arnett, Carroll C.	Concordia	#42	05/15/13	04/30/95
			1962	Duff, James G.	Montjoie	#29	06/17/13	05/04/67
			1963	Krug, Emanuel	St. Omer	#14	02/27/00	01/19/77
			1964	Schoonover, Archie	Columbia	#38	04/23/17	12/19/82
			1965	Grable, Anson V.	Ivanhoe	#21	11/03/93	10/08/78
			1966	Mitchell, Ralph B.	Emporia	#08	10/15/00	02/07/84
			1967	Zimmerman, Robert F.	Winfield	#15	02/02/12	09/23/95
			1968	Dean, Carroll R.	Askelon	#06	08/08/02	06/21/82
			1969	McConnell, Lester E.	St. Bernard	#10	04/30/03	05/04/81
	1972		1970	Hauserman, Alvin E.	Junction City	#43	05/01/18	02/22/84
			1971	Wilcox, Keith M.	Dodge City	#38	05/31/22	02/29/80
			1972	Serdeman, R. Neil	Mt. Olivet	#12	08/24/08	01/26/95
			1973	Soley, Philip C.	Topeka	#05	11/03/29	
			1974	Rensberg, George S.	Abo El Kadr	#27	03/30/16	11/07/85
			1975	Scheffler, Maxwell A.	Newton	#09	08/04/13	09/18/88
	1983	1991	1976	Duttweiler, Dee O.	Washington	#02	??/??/26	
1989		1983	1977	Robinet, Don E.	Cyrene	#23	02/09/32	
			1978	Martindell, Robert C.	Reno	#26	05/04/22	
			1979	Grundy, Merlin R.	Ivanhoe	#21	07/07/16	
			1980	Atkins, Joe W.	Arkansas City	#30	05/29/17	
	1991		1981	Leonard, Bernard A.	Dodge City	#36	05/07/22	
			1982	Ungerer, Bruce L.	Corinthian	#40	06/03/34	08/09/92
			1983	Hanson, Donald B.	Concordia	#42	08/03/25	
			1984	Woode, Frank O.	Leavenworth	#01	12/01/17	05/09/96
	1996	1992	1985	Snyder, David F.	Wichita	#12	03/23/30	
1998			1986	Neer, Carveth K.	Montjoie	#29	02/11/34	
			1987	Butcher, Gerald R.	Newton	#09	05/10/28	
			1988	Blackman, Maurice L.	Ivanhoe	#21	01/12/43	
			1989	Trude, John O.	Concordia	#42	10/23/18	11/15/91
			1990	Harrell, Paul J.	Junction City	#43	03/23/36	06/29/98
			1991	Updegrave, William G., Jr.	Dodge City	#35	09/13/29	
			1992	Tomlinson, Robert L., Jr.	Ivanhoe	#21	04/14/39	
			1993	Claff, Robert A.	St. Bernard	#10	09/11/22	02/21/96
			1994	Randall, Joe N.	Mt. Olivet	#12	07/26/33	
			1995	Briggs, Max L.	Concordia	#42	06/21/34	01/14/97
			1996	Rolf, Wayne H.	OLATHE	#39	12/16/42	
			1997	Carpenter, H. Convon	Concordia	#42	07/07/96	

Addition to Masonic record of Burton Mossman, September 2000 issue, Knight Templar magazine: Sir Knight Ivan M. Tribe, author of the article, writes: "According to Carroll Martin, Secretary of Roswell Lodge No. 18, Roswell, New Mexico; Burton Mossman should have been titled a Sir Knight for he became a member of Rio Hondo Commandery No. 6, Roswell, New Mexico, on April 12, 1924."



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Found: camera and case at the G.E. Triennial and turned in at Credentials desk. Call (601) 656-4257, and identify, or write George Saxon, 521A Cook Street, Philadelphia, MS 39350. I will ship to owner at no charge.

For a donation of \$10.00, you will receive a lapel/tie tack pin depicting "the Templar seal." The pin is polished bronze and is a real eye-catcher that will invite inquiries. It will open the door to discussions of Templary. All net proceeds are given to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. Mail your check, payable to Charles A. Games, 1700 Jamestown Place, Pittsburgh, PA 15235-4944. Include a note: "For a Templar seal pin." Please provide legible mailing address.

Wanted: belt and scabbard sheath for disabled Knight Templar. They must be in good condition and reasonably priced. God bless! J. Adrian Marshall, C/O Liz Sloan, 1610 Eagle Street, Murfreesboro, TN 37130.

For sale: 2 fatigue caps, both size 7¹/₈, \$40.00 each - very good condition (like new!). Dick Sowers, Recorder/PC.; Cyrene Commandery No. 7; P.O. Box 261; Richwood; NJ 08074; (856) 589-4850.

For sale: C.P.O. coats, poly-wool, summer weight; sizes: 44 short, 44X long, and 46 short. \$23.00 includes shipping and handling. 10% of all sales will be donated to KTEF. General Merchandise Company; 13690 Broad Street, S. W; Pafaskala; OH 43062, (740) 927-7073.

For sale: Royal Order of Scotland jewelry, both ladies' and men's. Marvin and Roberta Fowler, 1904 White Oaks Drive, Alexandria, VA 22306, (703) 768-6404.

For sale: New York State, Past Master's jewel with .24 white diamond on spike attached to compass in gold. Reverse side reads, "Presented to Worshipful Master W. E. Quincy, John Stewart Lodge No. 871, Mount Vernon, N.Y." Dated "Jan. 13, 1938." Researched to Lodge No. 702 - Marble, Stewart, Winyah, Tuckahoe, NY, and appraised at \$2,000.00. Best offer over \$1000.00. Lester Jordan, 1064 North Road, Groton, CT 06340, (860) 445-7346

Lawrence Lodge No. 198, F. & AM., Ironton, Ohio, has for sale 150th anniversary, antique copper coins with charter date for \$6.00 each including postage. Proceeds will benefit the building fund. Check or money order to Walter A. Butler, Sec.; 108 North 3rd Street, Ironton, OH 45638

For sale: Be a part of history and promote longevity of life as we know it. Beautiful lapel pins are available showing New York State, Triple Tau, and Masonic Research logos on the same mount. Proceeds from the sale of pins are to be divided equally between Masonic Medical Lab and RAM Medical Research Foundation. Order yours today for \$10.00 each, postpaid. Check payable to RAM Medical Research Foundation. Send to Walter J. Hilsenbeck, 32 New York Avenue, Massapequa, NY 11758-4818

Cochran Lodge No. 217, F. & AM., Cochran, Georgia, is continuing its long-term charity project. We are selling Masonic jewelry boxes, 6 x5 x2.5 inches in size and the shape of the square and compass. They are constructed of exotic woods from Central America and hand-crafted with an interlocking design. All profits from these Masonic jewelry boxes will be going to Masonic charities, a portion directly to the Georgia Masonic Children's Home Endowment Fund. The price is \$20.00 each with \$5.00 shipping in the U.S. and Canada. Check or money order to Cochran Lodge No. 217 and mail to Harry A. Bruno, Chairman; Cochran Masonic Lodge No. 217, F & AM.; PO Box 732; Cochran; GA 31014; or e-mail harry217bigfoot.com

Meridian Sun Lodge No. 20, F. & AM., in Craftsbury, Vermont, is celebrating its 200th anniversary (October 14, 2000). It has specially minted commemorative coins for sale, modeled after their Lodge seal and containing pertinent bicentennial information. Price with S & I-I is \$7.00 each. Also available: beautifully cacheted envelope featuring its first Master and former governor. are \$1.25 each or 3 for \$3.50. SASE or address sticker helpful. Order from Monty Shetney, P.M.; 2521 Dog Pond Road, East Calais, VT 05650

FOR SALE: cast coins, medallions, lapel pins, wooden nickels, round tuits, pens, pencils, markers, yardsticks, mugs, caps, key tags, knives, belt buckles, bumper stickers, calendars, business cards, awards, plaques, magnetic items, license plates, and ornaments. Promote your Blue Lodge, Royal Arch Chapter, Council, Commandery or Shrine. All items produced in quantity to your specifications using your camera-ready art, or we can create the art from your sketch. 3% of profit goes to KTEF Open line of credit to all Masonic organizations. Frank Looser, 1-800 765-1728 or e-mail cnfi@home.com

Sprig of Acacia lapel pins: Each handcrafted pin is sterling silver with a 24 karat gold vermeil finish. Price per pin is \$10.00 ea. including S & H. New item available: the four immortal chaplains lapel pin, a pin honoring the chaplains who sacrificed their lives by giving up their lifejackets in order to save the lives of others. Price per pin is \$8.00 ea. including S & H. Both pins are available only through S. Kenneth Bar!!, 3747 Westgate Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45206, (513) 731-0737. 10% of proceeds will benefit the KTEF.

For sale: The Medal of Honor The Letter (3 in Valor; a 268-page digest with the names, congressional citations, and Lodge membership of all Masons who have received our nation's highest military award for bravery. Check or money order for \$21.95 (CT residents, \$23.27) to Weidner Publishing Group, Dept. K., 490 Cornwall Avenue, Cheshire, CT 06410, or credit card order by calling 1 (800) 783-9654. Author's portion of profits donated to KTEF

For sale: Dudley Masonic watch, Masonic Old English balls, and books: Masonic Timepieces, Rings, Balls and Watch Fobs (\$6.50); Masonic Grandfather Clocks, Mantle Clocks, Watches, Pocket Knives, Rings, Balls and More Watch Fobs (\$6.50); Masonic Memorabilia (\$11.50), and Masonic articles I have written (\$13.00). All books written by me. C. Clark Julius; 1900 Trolley Road, Apt. 329; York, PA 17404; (717) 764-3067

Wanted: Masonic Chapter pennies by avid collector. I have been building this collection for 27 years and still need many pieces as I am collecting all varieties. These one day will end up in a Masonic museum. Why not find a home for your mark? I will gladly send you a check for one piece or will buy your collection. If you collect, I will gladly exchange. I will answer all letters. Maurice Storck, Sr.; 775 W. Roger Road, No. 214; Tucson; AZ 85705; (520) 888-7585

YoYo the clown is Worshipful Master of Theodore Roosevelt Lodge No. 219, Carteret, New Jersey. On August 20 he was 89 years young! He is probably one of the oldest living active Masters of a Lodge. The first meeting of the Lodge was on February 9, 1920 with 18 members, most if not all from Americus Lodge No. 83 of the neighboring township of Woodbridge. YoYo has been a Mason for 40 years, and he hopes "the

Good Lord spares him to make it longer!". Send him a belated birthday greeting at Harry Yeoman, 212 Metuchen Avenue, Woodbridge, NJ 07095-1219

Masonic clip art for Windows computers on CD disk. Artwork includes Lodge, York Rite, Scottish Rite, Knights Templar, Shrine, and several others. Over 200 images available for your correspondence and trestle-board publications. Some are in color. The price is \$12.95 including postage. Percentage will benefit KTEF. John Yates, P.O. Box 3496, Wichita Falls, TX 76301-0496, internet e-mail jyates@wf.net

Collector of Masonic postcards seeks cards from state of Delaware to add to his collection. I will buy or swap, as I have many duplicates from other states. Greg A. Glur, 2802 South Gate Drive, Fargo, ND 58103, (701) 235-1335, e-mail: g.glur@juno.com

Wanted: gold, folding, hinged Masonic watch fobs to buy for distinguished historical fob collection. Also, Masonic, hinged, secret compartment gold rings. Marshall Jacobowitz; 306 East 5th Street, No. 24; New York; NY 10003; (212) 533-0968

I would like to purchase a third wheel, size 12, for a Jewel Howard pocket watch, serial No. 1134862. Robert E. Brown, 152 Walton Court, Kingsport, TN 37663-2101, (423) 239-8005

For sale: New book, Communicate & Negotiate by Rick E. Schroeder, is a step by step guide for: communication, negotiation, mediation, and arbitration. It includes: communication skills on how to persuade your opponent, breaks negotiation into 4 easy phases that anyone can follow, a step by step process that may be copied and carried anywhere, an alphabetical index of tactics for easy reference, a proven model on how to identify the interests of the other party, how to apply negotiating techniques in family and personal situations. 10% of the proceeds go to the KTEF. Edwin R. Schroeder; RFD I West Road, Box 4150; Pittsburg; NH 03592-9604

Wanted: bass or baritone saxophone, any condition if complete. I will repair. William H. Moore, 19345 Romar Street, Northridge, CA 91324, (818) 349-0035.

Retired Mason wants to buy, any condition: train sets - American Flyer, Lionel, and Marx, all gauges; Aurora "model motoring" race car sets; U.S. and German military items; and old U.S. stamps. Tim Rickheim, 14761 Tunnick Road, Petersburg, MI 49270-9716, collect: (734) 854-3021, e-mail: heim@accesstoledo.com All inquiries answered.

Buying all U.S. and foreign coins, paper money, tokens, medals, silver, proof sets. Also selling \$20.00, \$10.00, and \$5.00 gold coins. Call for quotes. Buyer has forty years experience. A Percentage of profits to KTEF. Randy Mogren, 8 Gould Street, Millbury, MA 01527, (508) 865-4816

With These Eyes

by Lee Maloney

God's workshop Is found in the Sky above us.
His reassuring canvas of masterful brush strokes
reminding us that as infinite as
this picture window is to His heart,
So shall His love remain true.

Only, look up all ye weary and depressed.
and use the eyes GOD gave you to see His
universally created visions of glory
in the Sunrises and Sunsets;
For these are a mere reflection of the
Purest Beauty He hopes to find in
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Lee Maloney wrote this poem to honor her father, Yo Yo the Clown, on the occasion of his 89th birthday, August 20, 2000. Her address is 1501 N. Parton Street, Santa Ma, CA 92706